DEC 1 6 2005 In re Application of: WOSFINORI TAKAHASHI et al.

Docket No. 03560.001872.1

Examiner: G. Garcia

Application No.: 09/503,482 Group Art Unit: 2624

Filed: February 14, 2000 Date: December 13, 2005

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD THAT DETERMINES THE

PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF A PRINTER CONNECTED TO A NETWORK, AND STORAGE

MEDIUM STORING PROGRAM THEREFOR

Mail Stop RCE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

X No additional fee is required.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	* 19	MINUS	** 22	= 0	x \$25 \$50	-0-
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 3	MINUS	***	= 0	x \$100 \$200	-0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						-0-

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X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be r correspondence should continue to be dire		

Respectfully submitted,

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Date of Signature